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**PETITION FOR A THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants hereby petition for a three-month extension of time pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) in which to file a Continuation Application in lieu of responding to the Office Action mailed August 28, 2001. The deadline for responding to the Office Action is February 28, 2002. Accordingly, this response should be considered timely filed.

Authorization is hereby given to charge the fee of \$460.00 for such extension, and to charge any deficiency and credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 01-2315.

Respectfully submitted,

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